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Dear Parents and Guardians

I would like to take this opportunity to say that we are delighted to be able to welcome pupils back to Oxgang on a full-time basis in August. The first day for pupils to attend will be **Wednesday 12th August**. I'd also like to thank you for your support during the time we were closed and for the positive engagement we saw with our home learning programme. Staff have been working hard behind the scenes in the lead up to re-opening to create a familiar and safe environment for our children come the start of the new year. You should already have received a note of your child's new class teacher at the end of term. Please note the class/teaching structure remains the same as it was in June, and is as follows:

Primary 1 - Mrs I Berry
Primary 2 - Miss L Clougherty
Primary 3/2 - Miss M McNeil
Primary 3 - Mrs S McDonnell
Primary 4 - Miss H Nisbet
Primary 5/4 - Miss N McKenna
Primary 5 - Mrs M Malcolm
Primary 6 - Miss M Roy
Primary 7/6 - Miss H Sillars
Primary 7 - Mrs F Kennedy

If you are unsure who your child's new class teacher is, or what class they are in, please contact me via email (hyoung@oxgang.e-dunbarton.sch.uk) and I will confirm the details with you. Mrs D Sweeney, Miss S Mulholland and Miss N Miller will be working across specific classes this session to support teaching and learning. We will also have Mrs A MacDonald in on a Friday teaching music to some classes and Mr T Holmes is in school on a Friday as our Education Support Teacher. Mr Glancy will take up the post of Acting Head on the first day of the new term and will work with me and Mrs Adams until my maternity leave commences in September.

In order to minimise risk for children and staff and to promote social distancing between children and adults/adult and adults, we will be implementing the following arrangements. We thank you for your co-operation in advance and want to work together with you to ensure these measures are followed.

Staggered Entry and Exit Times:

To reduce the number of children entering the building at the same time, we'll be operating staggered entry and exit times. Please note that whilst entry and exit times vary, the duration of the school day for all pupils will remain the same, in accordance with EDC guidelines. This will remain in place until further notice.

Entering at 8.50am/leaving at 2.50pm = Primary 3/2, Primary 4, Primary 5, Primary 7/6

Entering at 9.00am/leaving at 3.00pm = Primary 2, Primary 3, Primary 5/4, Primary 6, Primary 7.

For the first couple of weeks, arrangements for Primary 1 pupils in Mrs Berry's class will differ from above. P1 parents will be issued with a separate information leaflet with details. We will amend times for

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the first week or so to ensure that parents can bring children into the playground and collect them safely. After the first couple of weeks, Primary 1 pupils will start at 8.50am and finish at 2.50pm.

We would respectfully request that only 1 adult per family enters the school playground for collection/drop off. ALL adults **MUST** socially distance, remaining 2m apart at all times, and no adults will be permitted to enter the school building and cloakrooms. Thank you in advance for your understanding and co-operation.

Arrangements for pupils who feel unwell in school:

In accordance with EDC guidelines, we would ask that any child who is displaying symptoms of illness (even non-COVID related) should NOT attend school under any circumstances. In order to comply with health and safety arrangements, any child who reports feeling unwell in school will immediately be taken to the medical room and their parent/carer will be contacted to collect them.

Lunch Time arrangements:

Initially, lunch will be in the form of a 'Grab and Go bag' consisting of soup, sandwich, snack, fruit and drink. The weekly menu will be shared with you prior to the start of term. All pupils in receipt of free school meals from P1-P7 will be offered a school lunch each day. If your child is in P1-P3 and you haven't claimed for free meals, they are still entitled to a grab and go lunch and can order it each morning. Alternatively, pupils can bring a packed lunch to school from home. If your child is in P4-P7 and you haven't claimed for free meals, your child **MUST** bring their own packed lunch to school - there will not be an option to purchase a school lunch. To promote social distancing, some classes will eat lunch in the dining hall and some classes will eat lunch in their classrooms.

Lunch and break times will be staggered during the day and classes will have clearly specified 'zones' in the playground to minimise contact. All pupils will be supervised outside to reinforce this.

Other information (Please also see EDC 'Back to School' Leaflet which provides further details):

Children will be given their own stationery packs to use in class and will not share resources. Pupils are permitted to bring their own pencil cases from home if they wish, but will not be allowed to share any items with friends.

Children will be encouraged to wear school uniform as normal. We would suggest frequent washing and taking uniform off to change clothing once they get home. Primary 7 pupils can wear shirt and tie if they wish, but a polo shirt and jumper with the school badge or polo shirt and jumper in the school colours is fine.

Initially, PE will take place outdoors, weather permitting. You will be notified of your child's gym days by their teacher. Full PE kit can be worn to school on gym days to avoid changing - children can wear school or plain polo shirt and a plain or school jumper on top, leggings or joggies can be worn on the bottom, with trainers. Pupils will not change indoor/outdoor shoes at the moment as this will help to reduce time spent in cloakrooms.

We will continue to review our procedures and processes as guidance is issued by the Council and Scottish Government.

Yours sincerely

Miss Hannah Young
Head Teacher